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Mr. Alan L. Fitzgibbon

Dear Mr. Fitzgibbon:

This letter is an additional response to your letter of June 15, 1977 appealing our non-response to your FOIA request for files concerning the Galindez case of the late 1950's.

Accordingly, your appeal has been presented to the Central Intelligence Agency Information Review Committee. Pursuant to the authority delegated to him under paragraph 1900.51(a) of Chapter XIX, Title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended, Mr. William W. Wells, Deputy Director for Operations, has reviewed the documents described below and applied the appropriate exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Reference is made in the succeeding paragraphs to various exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Exemption (b)(1) of the Freedom of Information Act pertains to information which is currently and properly classified under Executive Order 11652. Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statutes are subsection 102(d)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947, 50 U.S.C. 403(d)(3), as amended, which directs that the Director of Central Intelligence be responsible for protecting intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure and section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 U.S.C. 403g, as amended, which exempts from the disclosure requirement information pertaining to the organization, functions, names, official titles, salaries and numbers of personnel employed by the Central Intelligence Agency. Exemption (b)(6) applies to information on individuals the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of their privacy.

The following documents continue the numbering system in our letters of July 19, 1977 and November 11, 1977.

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Numerous additional documents will be sent to you shortly. I thank you for your patience.

In accordance with section 552(a)(4)(B) of the Freedom of Information Act, you have the right to seek judicial review of the above determinations in a United States district court. It would be appreciated, however, if you would wait until the remaining documents are sent to you before you make a determination as to whether you will seek judicial review.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. F. Blake

John F. Blake
Chairman
Information Review Committee

Enclosures

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